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# COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

(Stevens)

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, June 14, 2022.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

The Speaker, House of Representatives,

 $Washington,\,DC.$ 

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Ms. Jana M. Lean, Chief, Elections Division, California Secretary of State, indicating that, according to the preliminary results for the Special General Election held June 7, 2022, the Honorable Connie Conway was elected for Representative to Congress for the Twenty-Second Congressional District, State of California.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,

Clerk.

CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE,
Sacramento, CA, June 14, 2022.

Hon. CHERYL L. JOHNSON,

Clerk, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. JOHNSON: This is to advise you that as of June 13, 2022, at 4:59 p.m., the State of California has an estimated 2,240,611 unprocessed ballots and together the counties of Fresno and Tulare have an estimated 33,610 unprocessed ballots. The U.S. House of Representative 22nd District encompasses the counties of Fresno and Tulare.

As of June 13, 2022, at 4:59 p.m. the unofficial results of the Special General Election held on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, for U.S. House of Representative 22nd District show that Connie Conway received 55,169 votes or 61.5% of the total number of votes cast for that office.

According to the unofficial results, it appears that Connie Conway has received the majority of votes cast for the U.S. House of Representative 22nd District of California.

To the best of the Secretary of State's knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by the registrar of voters for the counties of Fresno and Tulare, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

Jana M. Lean, Chief, Elections Division, California Secretary of State.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE CONNIE CONWAY, OF CALI-FORNIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gen-

tlewoman from California, the Honorable CONNIE CONWAY, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

Her certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no question has been raised with regard to her election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the members of the California delegation present themselves in the well.

All Members will rise and the Representative-elect will please raise her right hand.

Ms. CONWAY appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are now a Member of the 117th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE CONNIE CONWAY TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOFGREN) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, on behalf of my California colleagues and the House of Representatives, I welcome Representative CONNIE CONWAY to Congress.

A lifelong San Joaquin Valley resident, Representative CONWAY has served as a businesswoman, healthcare worker, Tulare County supervisor, president of the California State Association of Counties, and director of the National Association of Counties.

From 2008 to 2014, she served in the California State Assembly. During her tenure she also served as the Assembly minority leader.

In 2019, Representative CONWAY was appointed to the USDA Farm Service Agency as the California executive director.

In that role, she administered more than \$100 million in safety net and disaster relief programs serving California farmers, ranchers, foresters, and agricultural producers.

Representative CONWAY previously operated her own consulting business and comes with experience in the healthcare sector—previously working for the Women's Health Department at Tulare District Hospital and coordinating a wellness program for Visalia's Kaweah Health Medical Center.

We look forward to working with Representative CONWAY.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. CALVERT).

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#### WELCOMING THE HONORABLE CONNIE CONWAY

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from California (Mr. CALVERT) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege and honor to welcome now-Representative CONNIE CONWAY as the newest Member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Congresswoman Conway is a proud, lifelong resident of California's San Joaquin Valley. She has dedicated the better part of her life to public service as a county supervisor, a legislator in the California State Assembly, and as the California Executive Director of the USDA's Farm Service Agency. The constituents in California's 22nd District stand to benefit from Congresswoman Conway's vast experience and dedication.

I congratulate the entire CONWAY family on this exciting occasion, including CONNIE's husband, Craig; her children; and, of course, we can't leave out her black lab, Jake.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the dean of the California delegation, Ms. LOF-GREN, to introduce our new colleague.

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I would like to now welcome our newest Representative to the podium.

Madam Speaker, I yield to Representative CONWAY.

Ms. CONWAY. Actually, Jake wanted to come, so did my husband, and he wasn't able to make it.

I want to thank him; my sons, Anthony and Tim; and my grandchildren, Caine and Autrey, for their constant, loving support. I hope to make them all proud. As an aside, my grandson, Caine, tomorrow will be 16.

He told me: Nonnie, I can't go watch because I have had an appointment at the DMV for 6 months. I am getting my license, and I am not giving it up.

So all I have to say to that is: Watch out Tillamook, he is off the tractor and onto the roads.

I stand before you today and vow to give everything I have to be the capable and zealous Representative that my constituents deserve. I often look to the words of Luke and paraphrase: To whom much is given, much is expected. I take these words to heart in the role that has been entrusted to me: to honestly, loyally, and passionately represent my constituents in the United States House of Representatives.

I accept this charge with deep humility. My constituents, the great people of California's 22nd District, are facing water shortages, rising inflation, and many other trials not of their own making. Their pain is my pain. Their concerns are my concerns. I stand shoulder to shoulder with them.

As a daughter of the Central Valley and a lifelong fighter for our values, it is my duty to ensure that our voices are heard in Congress. As your Representative, you have my commitment that my door will always be open to those seeking to make the Central Valley a better place. I look forward to serving with you.

Madam Speaker, I close my remarks with a local colloquial saying: Go Dogs, Win the Mountain West.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. In light of the administration of the oath to the gentle-woman from California (Ms. CONWAY), the whole number of the House is now 429

#### AMERICAN SOLAR

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, the Biden administration abandoning tariffs on imported solar companies is terrible.

What is the administration's strategy to protect American companies and American workers who are going to be harmed?

First Solar and Solar Toledo, Ohio, two companies whose products are unrivaled anywhere on Earth, are at risk with thousands of workers' jobs on the line.

These firms employ hardworking Ohioans earning living wages that support themselves and their families, and it is unacceptable to allow China to lay waste to American industries. China has violated the rules and tilted the playing field in its favor. Our workers are sick of it.

I have introduced a bill to create an office of manufacturing within the White House to champion good jobs in the USA. This bipartisan bill would ensure there is an explicit, long-term plan to grow American manufacturing industries and unleash our full manufacturing potential.

Domestic manufacturing is the backbone of our region's middle class, and it is time the Federal Government recognizes it.

Enough is enough. Let America's workers succeed.

### HONORING DR. JAMES EMMETT "JIMMY" DUCEY, SR., D.V.M.

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Dr. James Emmett "Jimmy" Ducey, Sr., a veteran, a veterinarian, and an exceptional Georgian.

Jimmy was born in Savannah in 1934, the youngest of four children, and spent his entire youth in the State of Georgia. He then went on to graduate from Savannah High School and attended the University of Georgia where he earned his doctorate in veterinarian medicine.

In 1959 Jimmy and his wife moved to Fort Hood, Texas, where Jimmy served in the U.S. Army as a veterinarian. In 1960, Jimmy returned to Savannah and took over his father's veterinarian practice where he continued to serve his community for 60 years.

Jimmy eventually retired from the Army, achieving the rank of major. Jimmy founded and coached the Wilmington Island Cardinals baseball, soccer, and football teams, winning multiple city championships in soccer.

Thankfully, Jimmy was able to see the University of Georgia win their third national championship before his passing.

A loving father and husband, a veterinarian, a veteran, and fellow Georgia sports fan, Jimmy is sure to be missed.

## BOOSTING SCIENCE-BASED CONSERVATION EFFORTS

(Ms. PORTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, our Nation's populations of fish and wildlife are dwindling. To save threatened and endangered species, we need the bipartisan Recovering America's Wildlife Act which will boost science-based conservation efforts.

The United Nations has warned the world that human actions will continue to drive plant and animal species to extinction if we do not act. In my home State of California, native species have declined by 20 percent, and over 600 species risk extinction.

As a member of the House of Representatives Natural Resources Committee, I have learned from scientists and advocacy groups that we need dedicated funding to recover and sustain healthy populations of threatened and endangered species.

Importantly, protecting these species is good for our economy. Wildlife-focused recreation generates \$140 billion annually. The Recovering America's Wildlife Act will sustain biodiversity, create jobs, and protect our planet.

### FLAG DAY AND THE U.S. ARMY'S 247TH BIRTHDAY

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, today is Flag Day and the U.S. Army's 247th birthday.

Every year on June 14 we celebrate our Stars and Stripes. We celebrate on June 14 because on this day in 1777 the Continental Congress approved the design for our first flag.

Over the years our flag has been changed to reflect the growth of our Nation, but one thing remains the same: It will always stand for freedom.

Our flag is a glorious symbol of hope for our brave servicemen and -women who salute it, defend it, serve it, and, in some cases, die to protect our freedom and liberty.

Today is also the U.S. Army's birthday. For the last 247 years, our service-members have been defending freedom at home and abroad.

Today, our Nation celebrates our Army and our flag, which symbolize both America being the land of the free and the home of the brave.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF SYLVIA SASS, THE FIRST LADY OF SISTER CITIES INTER-NATIONAL

(Ms. STRICKLAND asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Sylvia Sass, an extraordinary public servant and community leader in the State of Washington.

Sylvia was a vital player in the early development of the Sister Cities International organization. She was even appointed Washington State coordinator due to her work in helping President Dwight Eisenhower rebuild international ties, and she was selected as a delegate to have lunch with him.

In 2017, Sylvia received the Sister Cities International Lifetime Achievement Award, and to this day she remains an active and honorary board member of the organization. Sylvia Sass is known as the first lady of Sister Cities International.

Mr. Speaker, Sylvia exemplifies hard work, perseverance, and selfless service to others. I am proud to call her my friend, and I offer these remarks in her honor.

### SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SECURITY

(Mr. ROSE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, the United States is a nation of laws, not mob rule. Whoever leaked a draft opinion of Dobbs v. Jackson broke the law and did great damage to the integrity of our judicial institutions.

In the 5 weeks following the leak, protesters have taken to the streets of Justices' homes to intimidate and harass them for fulfilling their constitutional duty to interpret the law, and even one deranged individual plotted to assassinate Justice Kavanaugh.

Because of this, I am dumbfounded by the Speaker's refusal on three separate occasions to allow a vote to provide protections for the Justices and their families.

Finally, more than 1 month after the Senate passed the bill by unanimous consent, we were able to hold a vote today. It took way too long, but, thankfully, it wasn't too late.